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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the new technology implementation grant program administered by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 391.002(b), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Projects that may be considered for a grant under the program include:

(1) advanced clean energy projects, as defined by Section 382.003;

(2) new technology projects that reduce emissions of regulated pollutants from stationary ~~[point]~~ sources;

(3) new technology projects that reduce emissions from upstream and midstream oil and gas production, completion, gathering, storage, processing, and transmission activities through:

(A) the replacement, repower, or retrofit of stationary compressor engines;

(B) the installation of systems to reduce or eliminate the loss of gas, flaring of gas, or burning of gas using other combustion control devices; or

(C) the installation of systems that reduce flaring emissions and other site emissions by capturing waste heat to generate electricity; and

1           (4) [~~(3)~~] electricity storage projects related to  
2 renewable energy, including projects to store electricity produced  
3 from wind and solar generation that provide efficient means of  
4 making the stored energy available during periods of peak energy  
5 use.

6           SECTION 2. Section 391.205(a), Health and Safety Code, is  
7 amended to read as follows:

8           (a) Except as provided by Subsection (c), in awarding grants  
9 under this chapter the commission shall give preference to projects  
10 that:

11               (1) involve the transport, use, recovery for use, or  
12 prevention of the loss of natural resources originating or produced  
13 in this state;

14               (2) contain an energy efficiency component; [~~or~~]

15               (3) include the use of solar, wind, or other renewable  
16 energy sources; or

17               (4) recover waste heat from the combustion of natural  
18 resources and use the heat to generate electricity.

19           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.